



Modernization of Event Timer RTS 2006

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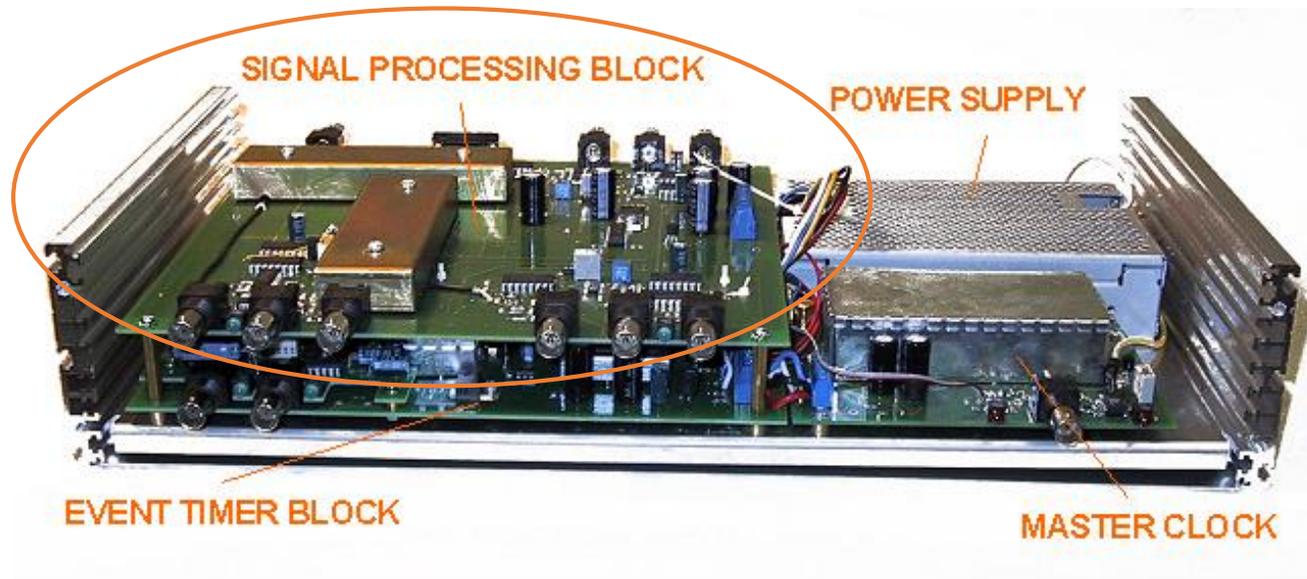
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A Brief History of RTS 2006



Y. Artyukh, V. Bepalko, K. Lapushka, A. Rybakov, Event Timing System for Riga SLR Station, 15th International Workshop on Laser Ranging, Canberra, Australia, October 15-20, 2006.

Signal Processor Block



3 to 7 ns pulse width range; -0.1 to -3.0 V amplitude range

Load Data (*.txt)

New AT function

AT-Disabled

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File

Delay

Amplitude

Fill Color

View AT function

Data Correction

Amp. Zero-OUT

Uniform X-axis

Save Data (*.tat)

Mean Amplitude:

1049.6

Autocorrection

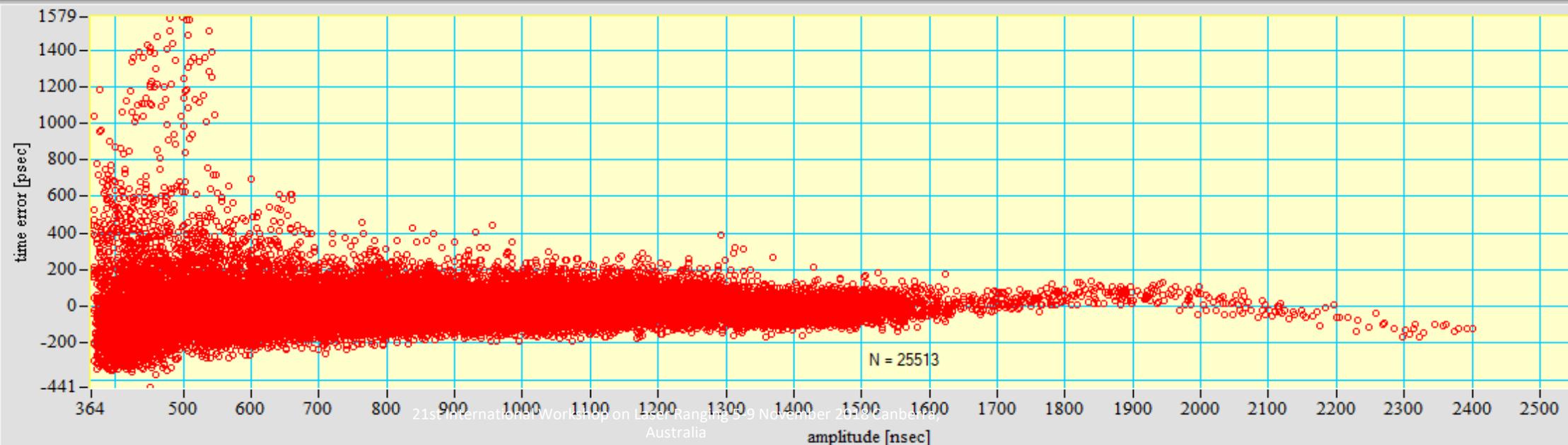
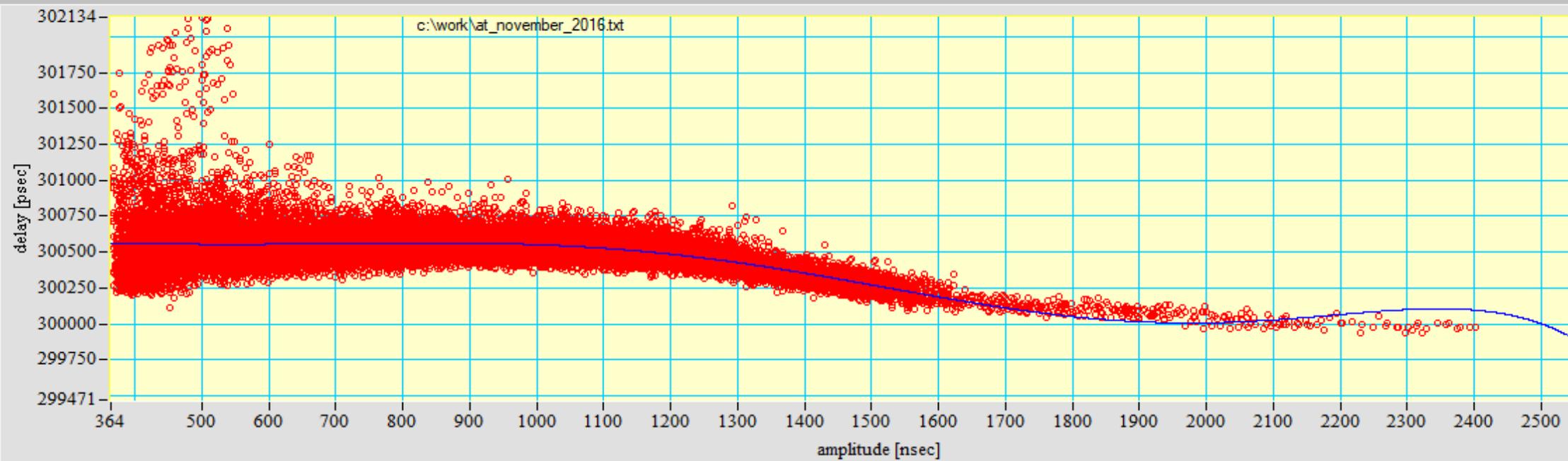
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Day AT-function Night AT-function



New development - TS/ATIC





Testing TS/ATIC with Tektronix AFG 3252C and Tabor WS58352

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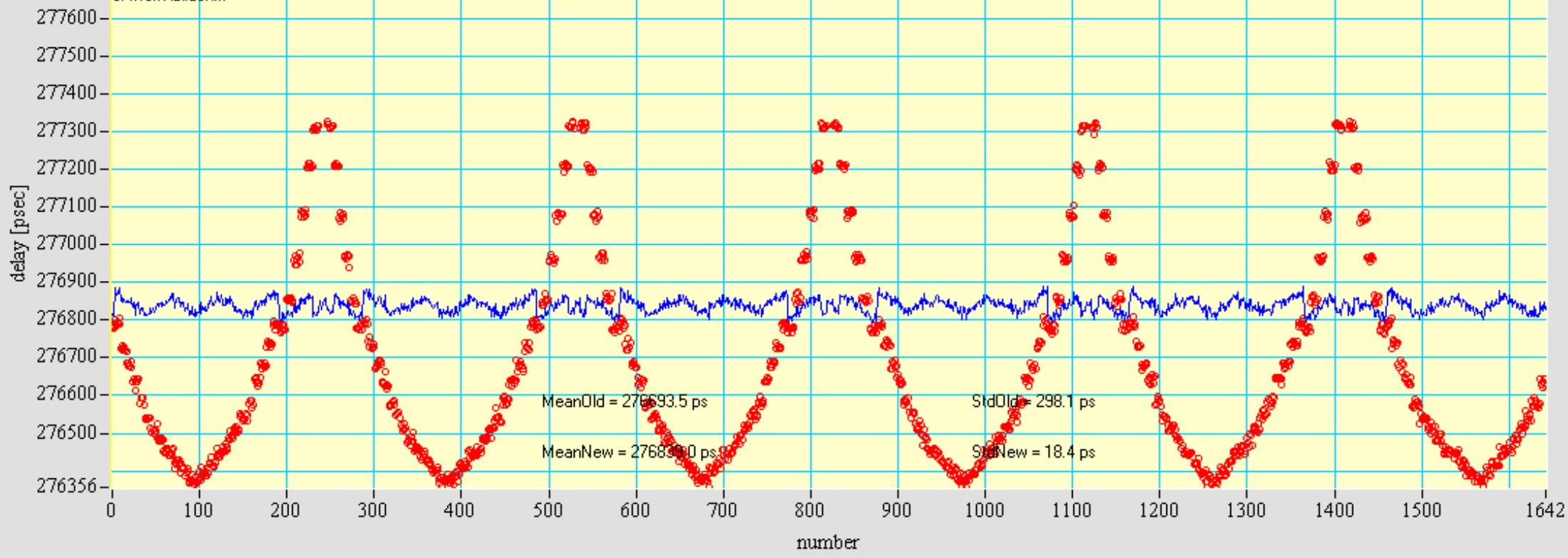
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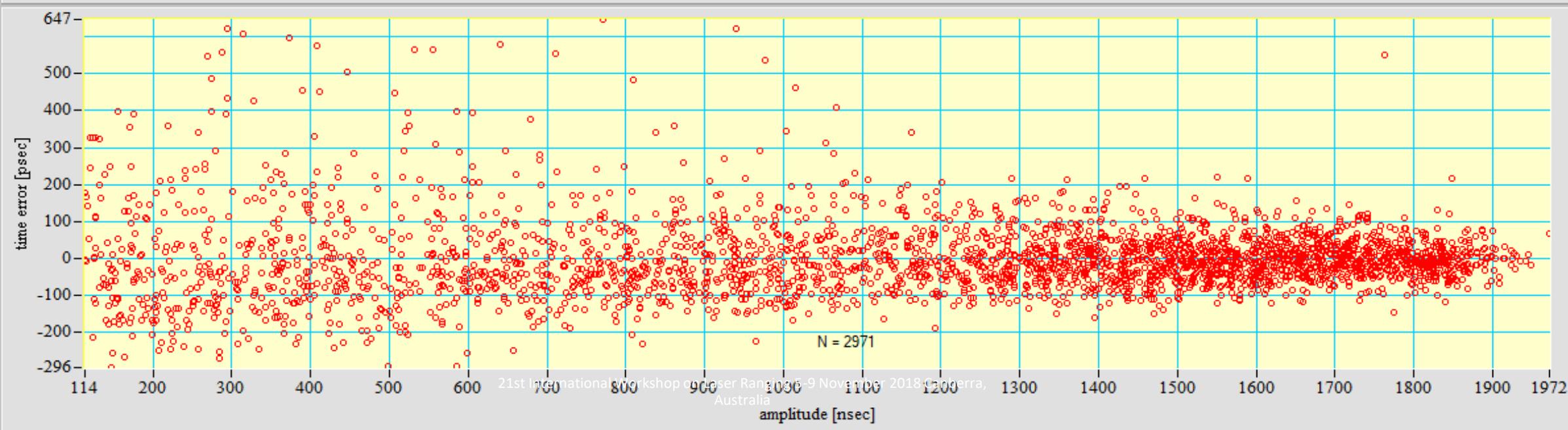
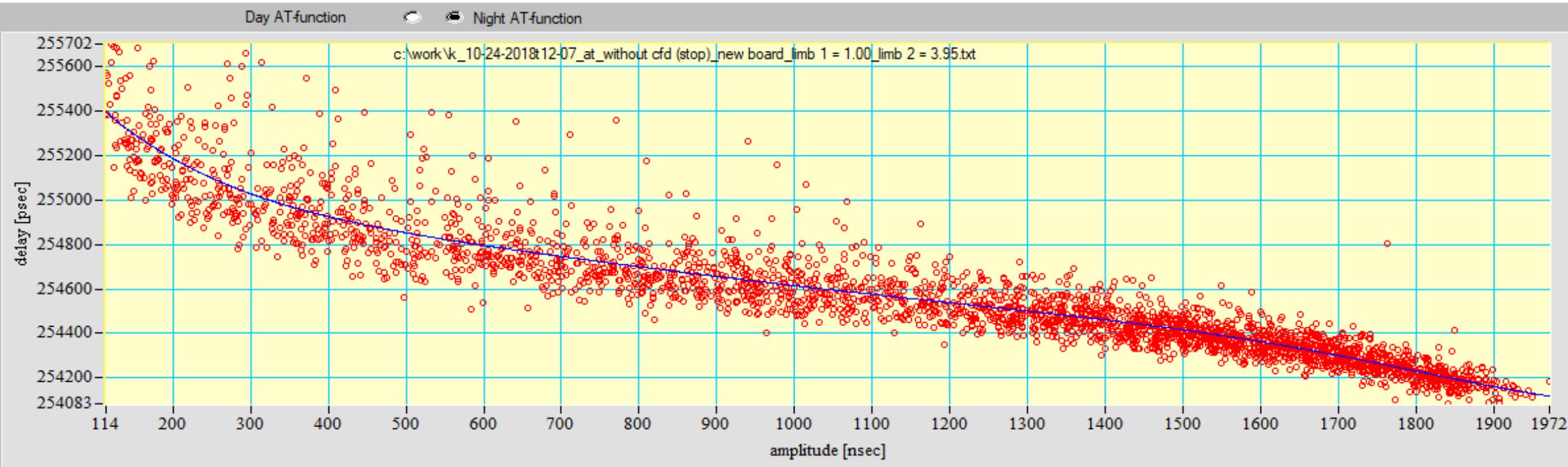
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TS/ATIC lab test results: RMS 18ps

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A brief comparison

	RTS 2006 signal processing unit	TS/ATIC
Input signal range	350mV-3V	120mV-2V
Amplitude meas. precision	?	1ns
Can work without CFD	No	Yes
Can work with newer timer models	No	Yes
Selector output rise time	3-4ns	1ns



RTS 2006 + TS/ATIC + ETSC



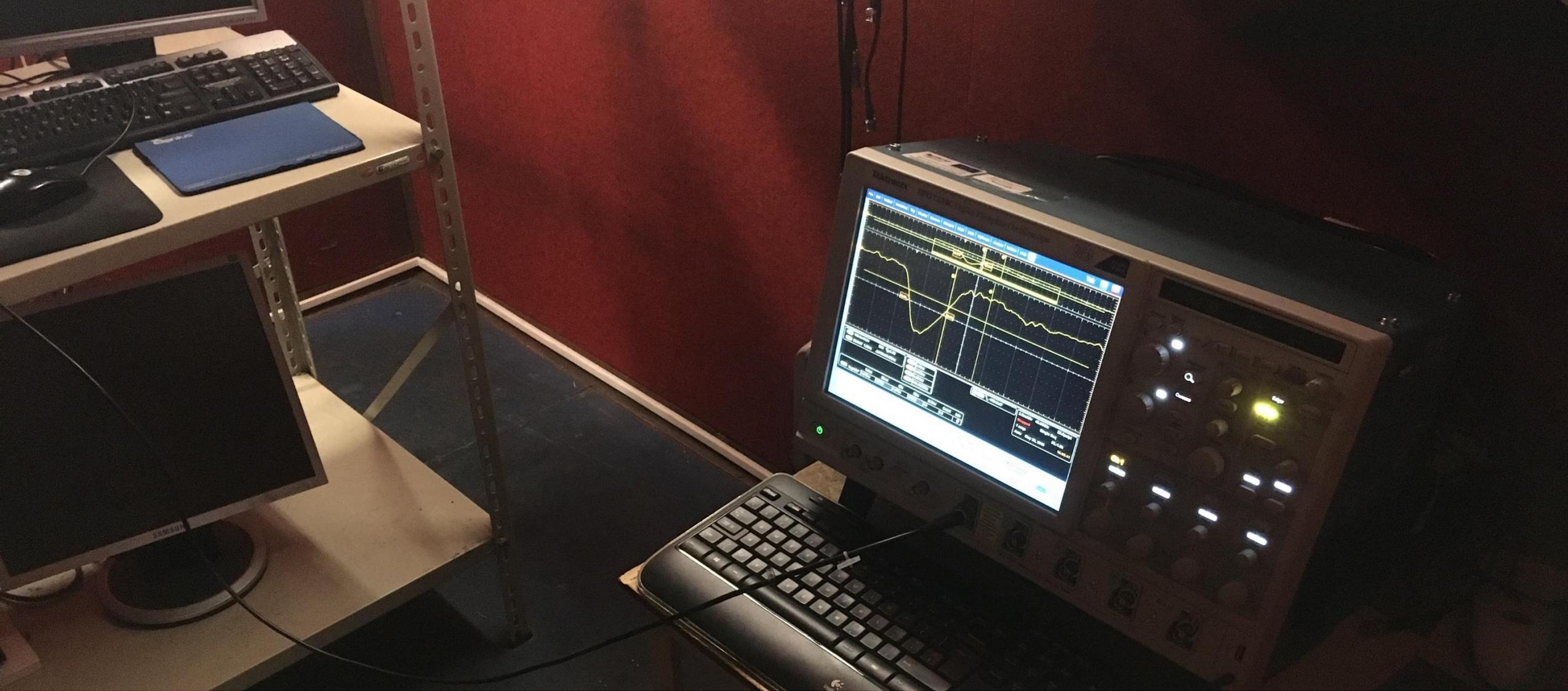
Conclusions and things to do

- We can now replace CFD with the new signal processing module and software solution
- Better precision – preliminary tests shows up to two times better calibration RMS
- Start to use in routine tracking
- Develop new software to fully utilize TS/ATIC capabilities
- Better amplitude calibration device

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